### O. HOWARD'S REMINISCENCES.

[Continued from 1st page.] Walker, commanding a brigade, were severely had gone. wounded. More than half of the brigades of

Some idea of the severity of the contest on the right may be gathered by taking Gibbon's account for a sample. Lieutenant-Colonel Bragg (6th Wisconsin), and Lieutenant-Colonel carried to the rear. Lieutenant-Colonel Bachman, in command of the 19th Indiana, was mortally wounded, while Captain Campbell, working his battery, received a ball in the shoulder. Between thirty and forty of his battery men port and of cannoncers to work them, I ordered them to limber to the rear and fall back, followed soon after by the infantry of my brigade, much reduced in numbers and scant of sammantion.

But before the end of this period of the fight Hooker, with his batteries and his infantry, contrary to his first design to gain the enemy's left, kept swinging to his own left and for-

edge of this woods, near Dunker Church, Jackfield. The truth is that Hooker's divisions were much broken before, and now were fear- leave one gun. fully handled and losing ground, and must soon have gone to pieces. MANSFIELD ARRIVES.

Just as the enemy was taking the offensive and making a charge, Mansfield, whom Hooker had sent for, appeared with his corps. It was

probably a little after 7 o'clock in the day. Mansfield first re-enforced Hooker's line and nided him to regain some ground that he had just lost, but the troops went forward only to come back again. Then the old general, whose hair was snow-white, took the offensive, forming in semi-circular order, with Greene's dfvision on the left and Williams' on the right. I will not attempt a description of this advance. It was like Hooker's, and met with similar obstinacy. The Confederates, however, were forced to retire; numbers of their colonels and several of their generals were slain or disabled. Jackson's command was broken and driven beyond Dunker Church.

At that time—probably about 8 o'clock—Lee, seeing little likelihood of McClellan's left colng there but few troops under General D. R. Jones, and sent everything else to his left. The distance was not great and the roads good, the whole length of the Confederate line not exceeding two miles and a half.

Hood, who had now been sufficiently rested, and D. H. Hill being present in some force with the advance, made a charge against Mansfield's line, now weakly supported by the shat-tered divisions of Hooker. These fresh troops, with numerous batteries well posted to sweep our lines from both the right and the left, succeeded in thoroughly breaking and disorganizing our whole front, and the great propor-tion of our men, who were not either killed or wounded, fell back to the west woods, or northward to the grove on the turnpike. Mansfield was slain as he advanced to make his first charge; Hooker, hadly wounded, had to leave the field; the division commanders Hartsuff | Hooker's men are out of ammunition. and Crawford had been disabled. What an toward the enemy. Our batteries-increased in number by the arrival of the 12th corps (Mansfield's)—and they alone, had checked the enemy's advance and hindered them from the enemy's advance and hindered them from crossing that bloody open ground between the Yorktown, and does not know that a battle is Third brigade, Col. Preston Pond.

General Greene, with a part of his force, clung to a projection of the west wood, and | eral Sumner is trying to clear the road, but the condition of affairs on our arrival. I saw roar of battle. He is an old soldier. He was abundant evidences of the conflict. Too many well men were carrying their wounded com- was with Louis Napoleon in the battle of rades to the rear.

General Sumner's brief remark about Hooker's corps is significant. He says he sent staff officers to find where the troops were, "and General Ricketts, the only general officer we could find, said that he could not raise 300 men of the corps,"

### [To be continued.]

The Capture of the 16th Iowa.

To the Editor NATIONAL TRIBUNE: The letter of General D. C. Gordon, of the Confederate army, to General W. W. Belknap, published in your issue of January 10, reminded me of that memorable 22d of July, 1864, the day of the capture of the 16th Iowa infantry. It came about in this way: On the morning of the 22d the 16th was ordered to take position about three hundred yards in front of the brigade and throw up works for protection. Our rigade (Crocker's) position was on the extreme left of the 17th corps, the left resting on the banks of a ravine that divided the 17th corps from the 10th, which was formed in line on the pposite side of the ravine, the 16th corps facng southwest and the 17th corps southeast. This left the two corps in the shape of the let-ter V, with the 16th Iowa infantry unprotected on both flanks. After we had finished our works, I took position in a peach tree some fifty yards in front of the works, on the picket-line. to satisfy my curiosity in regard to what the Johnnies were doing, as they seemed to be unusually quiet all along the line. It was one of He can see Fort Magruder across the plain those awful silences that precedes a storm. to the south smoking and flaming. He is al-From my elevated position I could see Hood's lorges marching out of their works to our left. It was a grand display of the rebel host as they after regiment and battery after battery filed mouthful than they could swallow, and they him is greatly superior to his own. He is too far out and retreats towards the dam, to a betgain our works in the first assault, but were ter position on the east of a hill, all the troops taken prisoners and sent to the rear. Nothing | in line. daunted they came again and met with the part of Cleburne's forces, commanded by Gen- standstill. Hancock sees his opportunity. eral Govan, had gained our rear by crawling up the ravine on our left, which was so protected by the banks and brush that we could not bring our guns to bear on them. The first | Night is settling down. The battle is over, the | gists. intimation we had of our situation was a demand to surrender from General Govan. There was a hurried consultation among the officers several cannon, many wagons, and several hunof the regiment, and it was decided that we dred of his wounded. Of the Union troops would cut our way out, and we were formed in two thousand two hundred were killed and line for the struggle; but on closer inspection of | wounded; of the Confederates, about one thouthe situation it was decided that the movement | sand. could not be successfully accomplished, and the regiment was surrendered. This ended my services in the field. The balance of my time was filled at Andersonville, under the supervision of Captain Wirz, of accursed memory. AMOS SNIFF.

ELMWOOD, NEB. Sergeant, Co. F, 16th Iowa. Afraid of 'Em. [From the Marathon Independent.]

"No," said Fitskins, "I don't think I shall ever try to join the Masons. It's too danger-

"Oh, you see, we hear about so many mur ders in the first, second and third degrees tha I don't dare to try it."

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### SAVING THE NATION. [Continued from 1st page.]

division, and Colonel Douglas, commanding ceased. There was silence in Yorktown, and Lawton's brigade, were killed. General Law- then General McClellan discovered that there | Mickey's house, at the junction of the Monteton, commanding Ewell's division, and Colonel | was not a Confederate seldier in the place-all

"With five thousand men we had stopped miles from Shiloh Church. Lawton and Hays were either killed or wound- and held in check over 100,000 of the enemy," ed, and more than a third of Trimble's, and all said Magruder. He carried off all his light the regimental commanders in these brigades intrenchments.

artillery, but left fifty-two heavy guns in the would be opened at least two days before Buell intrenchments.

#### WILLIAMSBURG.

burg, one of the oldest towns in the United States-settled in 1632. It was the capital of Allen (2d Wisconsin), were badly wounded and | Virginia for many years before the Revolution. | to the main road near the landing. Bragg, It was there that Patrick Henry made his with the 2d corps, marched by the direct road speech in which he used the words, "Give me | to Pittsburg, passing through Monterey. The liberty, or give me death!"

From Williamsburg, Washington mounted his horse when he was only twenty-one years | corps, when it reached that point, to fall in in were killed and wounded, and twenty-seven old, for that lonely and adventurous ride over the rear of Hardee, as it was intended that it horses were shot, so that Gibbon remarks: the Alleghany Mountains, to carry a message "And finding the guns almost deprived of sup- to the French commander at Fort Duquesnenow Pittsburg.

runs south, another north, with a strip of land | wise to be in position on the left of Polk's corps, between, on which stands Fort Magruder. It is a gateway held by General Longstreet, who 5th. The reserve, under Breckenridge, conhas re-enforced Magruder.

General Stoneman, commanding the cavalry, with Gibson's battery, comes up the road in ward till he had dislodged Jackson and Hill front of Magruder. If he had been a few minfrom their first line and forced them through utes sooner he might have taken it, for Long- Mickey's. the corn-fields and open spaces into the west street has passed on toward Williamsburg; but, About the time Ricketts' advance seized the troops back to hold it. The 6th United States son brought to bear Lawton's fresh division, street's fire, losing thirty men. Gibson is the successful issue of the impending engagetill this time comparatively unengaged and obliged to move his guns. The mud is so deep ment: "In the approaching battle every effort located in those west woods. Stuart, too, with that one of the carriages sinks to the axle. should be made to turn the left flank of the his guns well supported, had a plunging fire The horses go down in the mire. The Confed- enemy, so as to cut off his line of retreat to the upon our men the instant they took the open erates see them sinking, and pour in such a Tennessee River and throw him back on Owl shower of shells that Gibson is compelled to Creek, where he will be obliged to surrender."

> The night sets in dark and rainv. The mud with marching, lie down upon the wet ground.

HOOKER'S ATTACK. General Hooker, with eight thousand men. is in advance. His troops are posted along a deep ravine. Morning dawns, and Hooker's skirmishers, as soon as they see the Confederates, dash upon them and drive them across the ravine. The Confederate cannon in the fort open fire, but the skirmishers conceal themselves in the underbrush. General Grover's brigade, consisting of the 1st and 11th Massachusetts, 2d New Hampshire, and 26th New York, begins the battle. Webber's battery comes into position, but before it can open fire two officers and two privates go down before the storm bursting from Fort Magruder. Bramhall's battery, farther north and less exposed, opens, and before 9 o'clock the guns in Magruder are silenced.

umn doing much damage, almost stripped his right leaving there but few troops under Gen.

In front of the fort the trees have been felled.

There are ploughed fields and woods. Hooker's men make their way up to the abatis, and a rattling fire goes on.

THE CONFEDERATES. Most of the Confederate army are at Williams- positions. burg. Johnston has had no intention of fighting a battle at Fort Magruder, but only to have the rear-guard hold it till the army is well on its way to Richmond, but it is a place where he can easily hold the Union troops in check, and A. P. Hill is sent back to take part in repulsing the attack. The sound of the cannonade inspirits the Confederate soldiers. Before noon Longstreet is pushing out his lines upon Grover's and Sickles' brigades, rushing upon the batteries and capturing four cannon. The First brigade, Col. R. M. Russell. contest is in the edge of the forest amid fallen trees. It is a dark, cloudy, rainy day; the ground miry; the men weary and worn.

"I want re-enforcements" is Hooker's word hour before were regiments, now looked like to Sumner, but no re-enforcements reach him, Total first corps, present for duty..... squads of men here and there in the edges of and he is forced back inch by inch. From e wood and by the fences, irregularly firing | carly morning till 4 o'clock he carries on the contest alone-6,000 confronting 25,000 Con-

CONFUSION. going on. The roads are blocked with teams, troops, batteries, ambulances, wagons, Genintained his fire. Such, in substance, was | with little success. General Kearney hears the Solferino in Italy. He loves the excitement of battle. His troops catch his enthusiasm.

"Clear the road." It is an order from one in authority, and the teams turn aside. KEARNEY'S ATTACK. Berry's brigade is in the advance. It emerges from the woods,-comes into line in rear of Hooker. They have come at the right moment,

for Longstreet is advancing. Hooker's troops file to the rear, the Confederates following with a victorious cheer; but suddenly a pitiless storm

Total infantry and artillers. bursts upon them from Berry's line.

"Give them the bayonet!' The order runs along the line. Kearnev's men rush forward with a cheer, driving the Confederates back to the fort,

HANCOCK'S MOVEMENTS. Remember that there are two streams,-one running north, the other south,-and that the battle is on the ridge between them. "You can get across the creek down there," said a negro to Captain Stewart. "There is a infantry. dam, and the road crosses it and goes on to

General Smith sent Captain Stewart with four companies to see about it. "Infantry and artillery can cross," was the word sent back by Stewart, and General Hancock vania, 43d New York, and Wheeler's battery. Water.

most in Johnston's rear. "I can go to Fort Magrader if well supported" is his message to General Smith, his divisfiled into an open field about a quarter of a mile | ion commander. He is in a field near a farmin front of our picket-line, and there seemed to house. From the farmhouse westward is a be no end to the line of the enemy, as regiment | rail fence. Wheeler's battery comes into position on a knoll close by the house. The 5th through the opening. However, this awful Wisconsin and 43d New York are behind the silence was broken about 1 o'clock. The rebel fence; the 49th Pennsylvania behind the house; General Cleburne massed his division in the the 6th Maine are behind the battery to supopen space in front of our works, and on they came like an avalanche, thinking to devour the brigades of Hill's division. Wheeler's guns 16th corps at one gulp; but they took a bigger fame. Hancock sees that the force in front of

daunted they came again and met with the same reception; but while we were contending so stubbornly with the forces in our front, a part of Cleburne's forces, commanded by Gen-

"Forward!" victory won.

During the night Johnston retreats, leaving

Great the commotion in Richmond. "In the president's mausion," writes Pollard, the Southern historian, "all was consternation

and dismay." Jefferson Davis' niece wrote a letter to a friend, but the mail-bag was captured; thus read the letter: "General Johnston is falling back from the Peninsula, and Uncle Jeff thinks we had better go to a safer place than Richmond. He is miserable. He tries to be cheerful and bear up against such a continuation of troubles; but, ah! I fear he cannot live long if he does not get some rest and quiet."

The Confederate congress adjourned hastily. A great many people left the city. The public documents were put in boxes and sent away. Mrs. Jefferson Davis took down her window curtains, tore up the carpets, packed the pic-tures, and left the city. The treasury department, printing notes which passed for money,

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### THE SHILOH CAMPAIGN. [Continued from 1st page. .

ment began. The point of concentration was rey and Corinth roads, seven miles from the river, and consequently about four and a half

General Johnston intended that his entire force should be arrayed there by 3 or 4 o'clock ing from Corinth by the Ridge road, he bivou-Twelve miles from Yorktown is Williams. | acked at night, and reached Mickey's, seventeen miles from Corinth, early next morning. At this point a road, called the Bark road branched off to the right, leading by a detour 1st division of Polk's corps was instructed to follow Hardee on the Ridge road at a short interval, but to halt at Mickey's and allow Bragg's should form the second line of battle. Polk's other division, Cheatham's, had been on outpost duty at Purdy, fitteen miles from Mickey's. This division was ordered to defend itself if Three miles east of the town a small stream | attacked by General Lew Wallace, but otherthe third line of battle, on the morning of the sisting of the Kentucky brigade and Crittenden's two brigades (Bowen's and Statham's), was ordered to move from Burnsville at 3 a. m. April 4th and march through Monterey to JOHNSTON'S PLAN OF ATTACK.

The following "memorandum for the commanders of corps and the reserve" indicates cavalry are compelled to fall back before Long- the confidence that General Johnston felt in

Beauregard attributes the delay to Polk's

corps deferring its march from Coginth six is so deep that neither wagon nor artillery can | hours, waiting for written orders to move formove. The troops in the narrow road, weary | ward. He says: "Had it not been for this deplorable loss of the afternoon of the 3d, the Confederate army must have made the march to the immediate vicinity of the enemy by the evening of the 4th. The attack would then have been made on the morning of the 5th." The bad condition of the roads, misapprehension of orders, and the inevitable confusion arising from a first movement of a large army, conspired to retard the concentration of the army and formation of lines of battle until late in the afternoon of the 5th, when the mistake was made of postponing the attack until the

> During the march, which under more auspicious skies could have been easily accomplished in the time specified, the heavens opened and deluged the moving columns with torrents of CRAZY rain. Men and horses floundered in the mud, artillery stuck fast, and the tired troops bivou- PATCH acked at night without shelter in the midst of a tempest that raged with unwonted fury. the darkness and pelting rain they

Brigadier-General Charles Clark. Second brigade, Brig.-Gen. A. P. Stewart.

Second Division. Major-General B. F. Cheatham. First brigade, Brig.-Gen. B. R. Johnson. Second brigade, Col. W. H. Stephens.

SECOND CORPS. Major-General Braxton Bragg. First Division. Brigadier-General Daniel Ruggles.

Second Division. Brigadier-General J. M. Withers. First brigade, Brig.-Gen. A. H. Gladden. Second brigade, Brig.-Gen. J. R. Chalmers. Third brigade, Brig.-Gen. J. K. Jackson. Total second corps, present for duty,..... 16,279 THIRD CORPS.

Major-General William J. Hardee. First brigade, Brig.-Gen. T. C. Hindman.\* Second brigade, Brig.-Gen. P. R. Cleburne, Third brigade, Brig.-Gen. S. A. M. Wood. Total third corps, present for duty ....

Major-General J. C. Beckenridge. First (Kentucky) brigade, Col. R. P. Trabue, Second brigade, Brig.-Gen. J. S. Bowen, Third brigade, Col. W. S. Statham,

Total infantry and artillery .....

Grand total. Several regiments joined the army on the march to Corinth, increasing the effective force present on the field, to 40,335. Colonel Hill's Tennessee

regiment joined during the engagement on Sun-\*Hindman commanded two brigades when the troops were aligned, leaving his brigade under command of Colonel R. G. Shaver, 7th Arkansas

[To be continued.] The Sth New York Battery.

To the Editor NATIONAL TRIBUNE:

Can you inform me to what corps the 8th New York independent battery belonged durwith his brigade moves up the road three miles, | ing the years 1864 and 1865? I think we were crosses the dam, and takes possession of the de- not classed with any corps at the time. We serted intrenchments on the west side. He has were stationed at headquarters at Portsmouth, the 6th Maine, 5th Wisconsin, 49th Pennsyl- Va., doing section duty at Suffolk on the Black B. E. WAFFLE, 8th N. Y. Battery.

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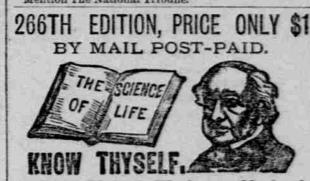
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